

Claims

What is claimed:

1. An in-car computer system comprising:

- a control device for displaying a main menu and plural sub-menus, each containing at least one selectable menu item,
- an operating unit for selecting and activating a menu item within the main menu or sub-menu,
- a switching member, its repeated operation causing the control device to activate the individual menu items of the main menu in a predetermined order.

2. The in-car computer system of claim 1, wherein the operating unit is a rotary/push button.

3. The in-car computer system of claim 1, wherein a further switching member is provided for switching to the main menu..

4. The in-car computer system of claim 1, wherein an evaluation device is provided which registers the activation of menu items of the main menu and determines a frequency value for each menu item.

5. The in-car computer system of claim 4, wherein said control device determines the order according to the frequency values.

6. The in-car computer system of claim 1, wherein the order of menu item's activation is adjustable.

7. The in-car computer system of claim 1, wherein the menu items intended for being displayed are selectable.

8. A method for selecting and activating option menus in an in-car computer system, the option menus containing a main menu with at least two main menu items and at least a sub-menu with at least two sub-menu items, wherein by activating a switching member the main menu items are selected and activated consecutively.

9. The method of claim 8, wherein said order of selection and activation of the main menu items is adjustable by operating the switching member.

10. The method of claim 9, wherein said order is determined according to a frequency value of the main menu items used.

11. The method of claim 8, wherein after operating the switching member and selecting and activating a sub-menu item said order starts again from the beginning with respect to selection and activation of the main menu items.